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RECEPTOR" to -- THERAPEUTIC APPLICATIONS FOR CCR5 CHEMOKINE

At page 1, please delete at the top of the page "VANMA51.001".

At page 1, please delete the text from "BACKGROUND" to "filed March 3, 1997" and insert therefore the following paragraph:

-- RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/626,939, filed July 27, 2000, which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/833,752, filed April 9, 1997, which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) to EP 96870021.1, filed March 1, 1996, and EP 96870102.9, filed August 6, 1996.--

A marked-up version of page 1 of the specification is attached herewith showing where changes have been made.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-38.

Please **add** claims $\frac{1-13}{39-51}$. 28-47

A method for decreasing the infectivity of a cell expressing a CCR5 chemokine receptor by an HIV virus, said method comprising delivering to said cell a CCR5 chemokine receptor modulator.

29.40. 2. The method according to claim 39, wherein said CCR chemokine receptor modulator comprises an antagonist of said CCR5 chemokine.

30. 41. 3. The method according to claim 39, wherein said modulator is a polypeptide.